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SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENT CULMIE REQUESTS FOR ARAB LEAGUE
DOLS 103 MILLION

1. EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR, ABDEL AZIZ GAMIL, TOLD ME ON OCTOBER 16
THAT CULMIE CALLED IN INDIVIDUALLY EACH CHIEF OF MISSION --
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WHOSE COUNTRIES ARE ARAB LEAGUE MEMBERS -- LAST WEEKEND

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REQUESTING THAT THEY URGE THEIR GOVTS COME FORTH WITH SHARES OF PROMISED DOLS 103 MILLION IN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PLEDGED BY ARAB LEAGUE FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE EARLIER THIS YEAR. ACCORDING GAMIL, HE HAD TELEGRAMMED CAIRO BUT MOST OF HIS COLLEAGUES HAD HONORED CULMIE'S REQUEST VIA DIPLOMATIC POUCHES ASSUMING THAT THEIR GOVTS, PARTICULARLY SAUDI ARABIA, STILL DRAGGING FEEL ON AID TO SOMALIA.

2. SAUDI ARABIAN CHARGE, KHAIRY AROF PHARAON, TOLD ME THAT WHILE IN JIDDA WEEK OF OCT 6-11, HE HAD RECOMMENDED THAT HIS GOVT CONSIDER SERIOUSLY POSSIBILITIES PROVIDING COMMODITY ASSISTANCE (TRACTORS, BULLDOZERS, DITCH DIGGING EQUIPMENT, ETC.) TO SOMALIA ASAP. PHARAON GUARDEDLY OPTIMISTIC HIS GOVT MAY REPLY FAVORABLY BUT DOUBTS THAT DECISION WILL BE TAKEN IMMEDIATE FUTURE.
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